

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding Action mailed January 5, 2005. All claims are considered allowable over the prior art of record, except for rejections based on an obviousness-type double patenting rejection. Specifically, the Office Action has rejected claims as allegedly attempting to patent an obvious modification of the invention defined in claims of U.S. patent 6,630,979 in view of U.S. patent 6,449,027. Applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer, with relation to the '979 patent. In view of the terminal disclaimer, the obviousness-type double patenting rejections should be removed, and all pending claims passed to issuance.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (770) 933-9500.

The fee for the accompanying terminal disclaimer is provided by a credit card charge authorization. No additional fee is believed to be due in connection with this response to Office Action. If, however, any additional fee is believed to be due, you are hereby authorized to charge any such fee to deposit account No. 20-0778.

Respectfully submitted,


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